

FRIDAY, APRIL 2, 1897.

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Don Emilio de Molins y Ortiz, who has just been appointed by the Spanish Government to be Vice-Consul at Singapore, arrived there on the 23rd March by the *Leon XIII.* from Barcelona.

The British s.s. *Myriothaire* (Capt. Davies), which arrived at Singapore from London on the 24th March, had on board 184 tons explosives for Singapore and 130 for China and Japan.

CHEVALIER de Koutaki, the accomplished pianist, appears to be working his way back to China and Japan. He has been playing in Hongkong, and was expected to Penang to-day. Should he decide to return to Hongkong, he may expect a hearty welcome.

A TELEGRAM dated the Hague 12th March, announced the loss of the Rotterdam Lloyd steamer *Utrecht* on the French coast. She left Rotterdam for Achen and Java on the 28th February. The agents at Batavia received news on the 17th March that she was still supposed to be lost. The *Utrecht* was laden with ammunition for Achen.

Mr Sidney Jeffrey, the original Secretary of the Hongkong 'Old Volume', has succeeded in persuading Singapore to establish a similar Society. His proposal was seconded by Mr N. Ruchvalsky, lately of Hongkong. A strong Committee has been formed to prepare draft rules, the Committee including: The Hon. W. R. Collyer, the Hon. W. J. Napier, Van Ardenne Perham, Rev. S. S. Walker, Dr Hanisch, Mr H. N. Ridley, Mr J. Bromhead Matthews, Mr A. Knight, Mr W. Craig and Mr R. Little. Mr S. Jeffrey was appointed Honorary Secretary pro tem.

The first tie of the quarterly Polo Tournament for the Hon. F. H. May's Cup is to be played off on Wednesday, 7th inst., at 5 p.m. precisely, and not, as previously arranged, to-day. The competing teams on Wednesday will be:—

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| R.A. | West Yorkshire Regt. |
| Capt. Burney | Mr Wood |
| Mr Buzzard | Mr Tew |
| Mr Grayson | Mr Spencer |
| Mr Cruickshank | Mr Gordon |

Mr Cruickshank, H.K. Regt., has kindly consented to act as Umpire. The only other team in the contest is a Club team consisting of Hon. T. H. Whitehead, Hon. F. H. May, Lt. Col. T. O'Gorman, Mr Cruickshank, H.K. Regt. This team will play the winner of the first tie on Wednesday, 14th inst.

At the City Hall last night, Hudson's Surprise Party executed another complete change of programme. As the stay of these popular entertainers lengthens, fun, so ably maintained for these weeks, grows faster and more furious. Messrs McKis-son and Kearns proved themselves an excellent pair of knockabout comedians of the style familiarised to British audiences by the two Macs. The melody of National airs styled 'Grouping the Colours' was effective and pleasing, with the appropriate tableau of Britannia at its close. Miss Jessie Williams is a graceful serpentine dancer, and, as usual, the gem of the entertainment was the Gouffers' baroque in which these artists paraded melodramatic actors in a clever travesty of *East Lynne*. The theatre was better filled than ever by an audience comprising all ranks and conditions of Hongkong life. To-morrow night, there will be another change of programme. Miss Violet Elliott will sing 'The Lost Chord.' For this song, Miss Hagood has arranged a final quartette, enthusiastically commented upon by the press under Australia and India.

'Trial by Jury' a farce? gravely queries a Straits newspaper, and the question might be repeated in Hongkong. Commenting upon the reluctance of jurymen to convict—the acquittals being greatly disproportionate with the number of cases tried—our contemporary makes the suggestion that, as the men are unwilling jurors and complain that jury service interferes with business, the women should be requisitioned as jurors. There is a popular delusion that European ladies in the Far East find time weighs heavily in them, in spite of bicycles and golf at Telegraph Bay, and the suggestion, of course, is that they would find a profitable occupation for themselves and would be conferring a benefit on their mankind if they undertook the duties of jury service. On the score of intelligence, doubtless the ladies would compare very favourably with Madame Sarah Grand's pot-agerism—she means men. Doubtless, again, the mere man would be delighted to share the franchise with the indispensable woman, if this concession carried with it a share of his responsibilities as a juror—common or special! All this appears the following story from a metropolitan newspaper:—

It would appear that at the Shoreditch County Court the other day two will give the words of the report, when the name of a jurymen was called, a middle-aged lady made her way towards the jury box. 'You cannot come in here,' said the usher. 'But I can,' the lady replied. 'My husband is away at the moment on business. I am come in his place. I can do as well as he could.' The usher asked her that she was not eligible for a seat on the jury. 'Well,' replied the lady, 'retiring a withering glance upon the official, "You suppose my old man and a lot of asses he has got in his place, and you won't have me." What would you say and do?'

New Plans and Organ Rebuilding Material and Machinery just arrived from the latest issue. W. Robinson & Co.

The Singapore Free Press states that there was a slight break-down in the machinery of H.M.S. *Minerva* at Suva.

A CORRESPONDENT writes to us calling attention to the formal acknowledgment of the Shanghai contribution to the Indian Famine Fund and asking why there has been no public acknowledgment of the Hongkong contribution. We believe the Hongkong contributions were forwarded to India by wire in three instalments. The first and second instalments were acknowledged in due course, and no doubt the receipt of the third instalment—remitted yesterday (1st April)—will be formally intimated by the Hon. Secretary of the Fund in Hongkong.

This afternoon, at the Magistracy, Commander Hastings resumed the inquiry into the circumstances connected with the death of a Chinese woman named Leung Yuen Kam, who died on the 26th March at 22 Queen's Road East after having been under treatment by a Chinese doctor. The jurors were—Messrs E. C. Ray, Reeves and Joseph. Deceased complained with a Portuguese. About six o'clock on the evening of the 26th March the deceased partook of a medicine which had been prescribed for her by Dr Kwok Cheuk Xau, 121 Queen's Road East. The prescription was made up by a Chinese druggist, and was received by Dr. It was boiled in water for about half an hour and then administered to the deceased. After taking the drug the deceased gradually grew worse, and at one o'clock Dr Stedman was called in by the deceased's brother. Dr Stedman thought the woman was suffering from poisoning, and he sent for some medicine which he administered to the deceased. She, however, grew weaker, and he did not think it advisable to use his stomach pump. The woman died about three o'clock in the morning. Dr Stedman afterwards made an autopsy on the body of the deceased and he was of opinion she died from poisoning. Dr Kwok admitted prescribing for the deceased. There was nothing in the prescription that would be fatal to the patient, even although the apothecary had doubled the whole dose. The patient might be ill with an overdose, but it would not prove fatal. When he visited the deceased he saw she was very weak and was lacking in blood. She had fever and was suffering from a cold. He told her she was dangerously ill. He told her friends to be very careful with her. Questioned again as to one of the ingredients in the prescription he said if the apothecary had doubled the amount prescribed the woman would have died. Further questioned, he said the effect would be heightened fever and the patient's mouth would become dry. He had been twenty-one years in the business, had passed no examination, and only followed his father's calling. The apothecary who made up the prescription stated that even a double dose of any of the ingredients would not poison anybody. The inquiry was adjourned till Friday next.

30 NEW PLACES just arrived; best makers. Also Cabin and Transposing Pianos, guaranteed for the climate. W. Robinson & Co.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Victoria Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the funds of the Hospitals:—
Hon. F. H. May, C.M.G. ... 810

THERE was to be a new issue of postage and revenue stamps in British North Borneo, last month. They comprise nine denominations, from one cent to twenty-four cents.

CHIEF Sanitary Inspector Hearn, of Singapore, is resigning his appointment, having accepted a more lucrative appointment under the Siam Government at Bangkok.

An old, well-known, and popular resident left Shanghai for good on Saturday (says the *N. C. Daily News* of the 26th March) in the person of Mr G. J. Holiday. Not only was he a very prominent as a merchant and in the social life of the community, but he did a great deal of public work as Commander of the Volunteers, in the Municipal Council as responsible for the reorganisation of the Police some fourteen years ago, and as a leading member of the A.D.C. Energetic, capable and genial, Mr G. J. Holiday takes with him the best wishes of the community.

A COURT-MARTIAL was opened on the 25th Feb. on board Her Majesty's depot ship *Porte* at Chatham for the trial of Captain Count Frederic C. Metaxa, the commanding officer of the first-class cruiser *Goltz*, coastsword ship at Hull, but now undergoing repairs at Chatham, upon charges having reference to the grounding of the vessel near Hull. Navigating-Lieutenant Thomas F. C. Dundas was charged, with Count Metaxa, with hazing the ship by negligent navigation. After the ship struck the shoal, Count Metaxa suspended Mr Dundas. Both officers were severely reprimanded. Capt. Count Metaxa was some time ago in command of H.M.S. *Leander* on the China Station.

THERE has just been started in Copenhagen the East Asiatic Trading Company with a capital of about £175,000 for building up trade between Copenhagen and Hongkong. It is intended to build three vessels of 3,000 tons register for this trade. The ports of call will be at least three—British port, besides one in the Straits, Singapore, Hongkong, Bangkok (whenever necessary), Shanghai and Canton. It is expected that some cargoes will consist of coffee, tea, sugar, spices, gum, hides, bones, tallow, &c. A great feature in this scheme is the fact that it incorporates a large and flourishing Eastern business firm—that of Messrs. Anderson and Co. of Bangkok which transacts a considerable import and export business there.

Miss Browning—Just think! Brother Will has won a prize of £80 for a poem! Miss Lee—You don't tell me! Soap or best butter?

NOTES BY THE WAY.

Queen's Road is 'up' again in the interests of the Perpetual Waste Department. It would be well to have all important roads duplicated. There should be two sets of streets in the Colony, one for public use and the other for the P. W. D. to play with whenever the hilarious individuals in its employ pine for the pleasure of opening a drain for the unwary passer to step into, and kindling a gas main. This idea is at the service of the Jubilee Committee.

A number of Jubilee suggestions, both wise and otherwise, have reached me, and I fear that if the authorities, despairing of the task of selection, were to divide the money subscribed among the numerous schemes suggested, it would amount to about a dollar each. A dog's home is proposed, with a small row of kennels, and a gigantic lethal chamber for puppies of all descriptions. One pedestrian proposes a six-mile stretch of road leading from somewhere to the back of beyond, for the use of cyclists, he constructed at such a distance from the city—
That part of the overwintering wheel, And din of bells, and whistles, and of going, From unsuccessful and successful fends, Searching or wallowing in their restless way, Might never reach us more.

M.P.Q. writes me that a graceful and gracious form of celebration would be to inaugurate and set on a firm basis a fund for the establishment and endowment of himself—M. P. Quious, Esq., and is modest enough to say that a couple of lakhs would be sufficient. Naturally enough the architects want to see the City Hall enlarged, and the Commission Agents want orders for medals and badges. Lawyers want a new courthouse and doctors a new hospital, cyclists a new road, athletes another slice of Happy Valley and swimmers a bath-house. How would it be as a minor incident in the fête on the great day to exercise the Fire Brigade with its excellent pumping machinery and Woodhouse hose-carts in giving one good wash to the entire native population of Hongkong?

They need it. A globe-trotter who wished to describe their manners and customs might cover the ground in a single sentence. They have no manners and their customs are objectionable. The other day in Queen's Road I glanced at a European lady's chair which was waiting outside one of the large English shops. The bearers were skulking. One snatched the emerald brooch and plush cushion from the mistress's chair and battered the other about the head with it, finishing by getting his comrade down on the ground, kneeling on him and pretending to stifle him with the cushion.

'Don Camilo Polavieja, Marquis of Polavieja, Governor General of the Islands and Commander-in-Chief, is a humorist of the first water, that is, if his Amusey proclamation be his own and not composed for him by the versatile editor of the *Yokohama Choho*. Certainly he is the equal of the Anglo-Japanese litterateur in the matter of high-falutin' eloquence. He lauds with rapturous enthusiasm, and professions of delicious joy, the 'legendary achievements of the sons of Spain,' assuring us that 'victory always accompanies the Spanish soldier.' 'Legendary' is a very appropriate adjective. Without saying as bluntly as Luther did 'Legende ligende,' one may politely acquiesce in General Polavieja's characterization of Spain's military achievements as mythical. If he means it seriously we shall have to re-write history and note that the Moors failed to conquer Spain in the eighth century, that the Spanish attempt on Algiers in 1541 was a success, that Leyden was reduced by siege, and that the names of Looey and Dunkirk are expunged from her annals.

'Throughout the eighteenth century Spain was correctly considered a prey for which- ever of the great powers of Europe could lay hands on her. Her navy had been annihilated and her army was unable to establish a king on her throne without the aid of France. Once during the Peninsular war, immediately after Talavera, the Spaniards were foolish enough to face a French force without the help of Wellington, and were defeated at Medellin. No, General, we do not believe in the oft-repeated feat of 'making green again the laurels of measurable and glorious times.' A merciful Providence has not made us so green as that.

It is certainly ingenious to limit the amnesty to rebels actually under arms, so that any poor fellow whom the Spanish troops terrorise must bring in a rifle as a price of immunity. The idea of course is to deplete the rebels of their warlike stores. This suggests that, though Spain wants peace, it wants weapons more, and this anxiety is all concealed by the mixture of bluster and entreaty in the proclamation.

With such an army, says the commander-in-chief, 'the restoration of peace by force of arms is assured, nevertheless, inspired by the generosity of the conqueror, I call on all rebels who desire to avoid fresh days of mourning and desolation.' As a matter of fact, we know that the power and glory of Spain have always been a by-word and a jest, and victories are by no means so common in her annals as she claims. But times are changed now by the invention of the electric telegraph, and Spain having permitted one of her commanders with a mountain-gun and a train of paper is likely to rehabilitate her reputation.

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COMMEMORATIVE JUBILEE MEMORIAL.

PROPOSED DEMONSTRATION AT THE HAPPY VALLEY.

A correspondent suggests an appropriate and suitable function to take place on the day set aside for the celebration of the Queen's Jubilee. It is necessary that the occasion should be favoured with the presence of the Queen's mother, as the ceremony would practically have to take place in the open air. The suggestion is that a grand thanksgiving service be combined with a naval and military review at the Happy Valley. The rails of the race-course, opposite the Grand Stand, should be removed to provide sufficient room for the operations. After the march past of the troops, the European regiments should be massed in front of the grand stand, the Indian troops to be formed up two deep surrounding the European troops. The new race stand, he suggests, should be utilized as a grand orchestral stand, etc., the Military Chaplain, Rev. Mr Vallings, to be situated at the top landing of the steps, his reading desk to be a pile of drums. The raised portion of the stand to be reserved for the massed bands and a chorus, which would contain every singer in the Colony, and that of all nationalities, and it is expected that 150 voices could easily be obtained. Between the grand stand and the troops the Free Masons might take up their position. Our correspondent suggests that the service might commence with the singing of the National Anthem by the whole of the vast gathering, led by the massed bands, the second verse to be sung by the ladies in the orchestra and the third verse by the male voices, the concluding verse to be joined in by everyone assisted by all the drums. The effect, he forebodes, would be electric and grand in the extreme, which could perhaps be realised by those who have heard Sir Michael Costa's rendering of 'God Save the Queen' by a band and chorus at a big musical festival. It is suggested that a marked grand stand be erected on either side of the grand stand for the accommodation of spectators.

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REUTERS' TELEGRAMS.

(SUPPLIED TO THE 'CHINA MAIL.')

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MORE FIGHTING IN CRETE.

The insurgents have captured Fort Spinalonga after forty-eight hours' fighting, and have sunk a Turkish schooner laden with munitions. They have also attacked Fort Izzedini, which dominates Suda Bay. The floods, after bombarding the insurgents, have sent a mixed force to occupy the fort.

GREECE AND TURKEY.

The Duke of Sparta has assumed command of the Greek troops at the frontier.

REINFORCEMENTS FOR CRETE.

The Welsh Fusiliers have been ordered to proceed to Crete.

WEATHER NOTICE.

The following notice is issued from the Observatory:—
On the 2nd and 11th inst., a cyclonic depression moving NE lies off the S. Coast of Japan, and a high pressure area covers Southern China. Forecast:—moderate to fresh N. to NE winds; fine and dry.

H.E. LOH FENG LUH AND DR. LIM BOON KENG.

Singapore, March 24. We understand that H. E. Sir Loh Feng Luh, the Ambassador of China to England, called on the Hon. Dr. Lim Boon Keng yesterday, and spent over an hour in conversation with the Chinese M. L. C. and Mrs. Lim Boon Keng. The Ambassador informed Dr. Lim Boon Keng that the special telegram to the *Singapore Free Press* intimating the probability of the late joining the Embassy originated from Sir Loh Feng Luh's telling people in Hongkong that he would endeavour to persuade the Hon. Dr. Lim Boon Keng to accompany him to London. We now hear that Dr. Lim Boon Keng has, after careful consideration, declined to do so. Sir Loh, however, has been good enough to extend to Dr. and Mrs. Lim Boon Keng an invitation to join the Embassy for a few months next year in order to represent China at an approaching international congress of a social character. Although Dr. Lim Boon Keng has come with some regret to the decision not to accept Sir Loh Feng Luh's offer for the present, the probabilities are that eventually the invitation in one form or another will be accepted. There are many who will be pleased, on public as well as private grounds, to hear of Dr. Lim Boon Keng's decision not to sever his fortunes from the Colony in the meantime. The Chinese unofficial member has become the acknowledged representative of the Chinese community in many respects, and is the recognised channel through which the desires and wants of that community can best be made known. Were Dr. Lim Boon Keng to leave Singapore at this moment there is not any one who could fill his place within the Colony, for there is no one so well prepared by education and association to comprehend the spirit of our Colonial administration, and to accurately inform and guide his Chinese fellow-townsmen concerning the views and acts of the Government. Dr. Lim Boon Keng's decision to postpone his departure may turn out to be best for himself. But there is no doubt all about it being best for the Chinese community, who are thus enabled to keep their indispensable man.—*Free Press.*

LATE TELEGRAMS.

(Bangkok Gazette.)

'BEATING AT LATTERSALL'S DECLARED ILLEGAL.'

LONDON, March 15.—The Judges of the Queen's Bench Division, in the case of the book-maker Dunn, have decided that beating in football is not a game, and is therefore illegal. The decision is a landmark one, and is expected to have a great influence on the game of football.

THE PLAGUE IN INDIA.

LONDON, March 14.—The Sanitary Conference at Venice, concluded its labours on the 13th inst., and will hold another sitting and examine the draft Convention based upon the reports of the two technical Sub-Committees dealing with measures outside and inside Europe. It is understood that the conclusions arrived at regarding disinfection and the efficacy of the serum are mainly negative. The supervising of pilgrims is fixed at ten days from the date of departure in addition to the initial medical examination. Passenger steamers with clean bills of health may proceed direct to European ports. Decisions have also been reached regarding sanitary measures for the Red Sea and the Persian Gulf.

BOMBAY, March 15.—The *Times of India* writes:—There is reason to hope that the plague, so far as the European population of Bombay is concerned, may now be regarded as at an end. There have been no admissions into the plague wards of the European General Hospital since the 11th inst., and of the nine patients remaining nearly all are convalescent. Sixty-eight cases were treated and twenty-nine deaths took place, the cures being approximately fifty eight per cent. The results are the more noteworthy since in nearly every case bacteriological examination confirmed the diagnosis of the plague. One fact of great interest should be noted, that with the exception of two men from South Eastern Europe of a low racial type and whose calling placed them in insanitary environments there has been only one death in hospital of a European born in Europe. Dr. Arnott was from the first determined that the Hospital should be well ahead of its requirements, and the timely provision of temporary accommodation for plague patients in isolation from the rest of the Hospital with the appointment of Surgeon Captain Louman to their exclusive charge, enabled them to be treated under especially favourable conditions. This, no doubt, contributed very largely to the favourable result shown.

LONDON, March 16.—The *Times*, in a special article on Indian affairs, says that without doubt if the sanitary plague cordon urged by Sir A. Mackenzie had been adopted earlier, Great Britain would have escaped the reproaches of Europe and India been spared the reprisals which Europe has taken in self-defence.

Calcutta, March 17.—A telegram from the Secretary of State to the Viceroy states that Russia has prohibited the importation of Indian tea into Batavia. This news will cause a flutter amongst the tea-planters, but one consolation is that the present tea season is practically over.

THE GAZETTE IN EUROPE. London, March 17.—Lord Salisbury has suggested that such a law should control £10,000 sterling in order to start an autonomous regiment in Crete. This and other points are now under discussion.

Although it would be out of place to criticise the scheme for the construction of a road round the island, the utility of which is readily conceded, I take exception to the statements made as to its defensive value, because our troops would move on the island, not on its circumference.

The 'Queen's Link' could be begun and completed in this year of Grace at a cost not exceeding \$50,000.—*Mr. W. BLACK.*

By MAJOR-GENERAL BLACK.— A road from Wanchai to Wongneichong Gap to be called 'the Queen's Link.'

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OUR RESPONSE.

THE INDIAN FAMINE FUND.

(To the Editor of the 'China Mail'.)

Hongkong, 2nd April, 1897.

SIR.—The subscription lists in aid of the Famine in India having closed on the 31st ultimo, a behalf of the Committee I beg to inform the subscribers to the Fund that the subscriptions reached a total of \$50,072.93.

The whole of this sum has been remitted to the Hon. Secretary of the Central Relief Fund at Calcutta, in three instalments as follows:—
1st instalment Rs. 14,400 = £3,428.50
2nd " " 20,000 = £4,645.83
3rd " " 12,000 = £2,768.60
Total Rs. 46,400 = £10,843.93

The first and second instalments have been duly acknowledged with thanks. The third instalment was forwarded yesterday.—I have &c.

J. H. STEWART LOCKHART.

KNIGHTHOOD FOR CAPTAIN HUGH CRAIG.

Captain Hugh Craig, the genial commander of the s.s. *Memoria*, has received the following Royal Letter from Charles I. King of Portugal, informing him that the Knighthood of the Royal Military Order of Our Lord Jesus Christ has been conferred upon him, for services rendered in connection with the transport of officials, troops, &c., during the Timor Rebellion. The insignia are now on their way out from Portugal and will be presented to Captain Craig in about six weeks at Macao:—

Hugh Craig, Commander of the s.s. *Memoria*, of the Eastern and Australian Steamship Company.

1. King of Portugal and of Algarves, &c., &c., send you greeting.

Considering the valuable qualities of your good self, and wishing to testify publicly our appreciation—We have much pleasure in conferring on your good self the Knighthood of the Royal Military Order of Our Lord Jesus Christ, which we now beg to inform your good self, and in order that you may wear the respective insignia, we send your good self this Royal Letter.

Written in the Royal Palace of Neesidades on the 5th day of November, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Ninety-Six.

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP OLYMPIA, FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND SHANGHAI.

THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-signature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

DODWELL, CARILL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, March 30, 1897. 654

STEAMSHIP YANTSE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London, ex S.S. *Compagnie*, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, Limited, at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on immediate intimation received from the Consignees before 10 a.m. To-day, requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

Goods remaining undelivered after SATURDAY, the 3rd April, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All Claims must be sent in to me on or before SATURDAY, the 3rd April, or they will not be recognized.

All Damaged Packages will be examined on SATURDAY, the 3rd April, at 3 p.m. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. L. CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, March 29, 1897. 638

THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship *Kiuchang*, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, Limited, at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent in to the Office of the Undersigned before Noon on the 3rd April, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on SATURDAY, the 3rd April.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 3rd April will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, March 30, 1897. 639

HICKMERS' REGULAR LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM ANTWERP, HAMBURG, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's S.S. *Eliza Hickmers*, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, Limited, at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent in to the Office of the Undersigned before Noon on the 7th April, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on THURSDAY, the 8th April.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 8th April will be subject to rent.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 5 p.m. To-day.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by ARNOLD, KARBURG & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, March 31, 1897. 654

Intimations.

AMERICAN SYSTEM OF DENTISTRY.

AT 62, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

CHADWICK KEW.

(LATE OF POATE & NOBLE.)

Hongkong, December 19, 1896. 2586

RIGAUD'S White Violet Extract.

This fugative and delicate perfume is persistent as an Extract for the handkerchief while as a Soap and Powder, it has been adopted by the most refined French Society.

RIGAUD & Co. 10,000 White Violets.

PARIS.

For Sale by A. B. Watson & Co., Chemists.

Shipping.

Steamers.

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE, (Calling at PORT DARWIN & QUEENSLAND PORTS and taking through Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, &c.)

The Steamer *Guthrie*, Captain J. H. Craig, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 3rd April, at 11 a.m.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber which ensures a plentiful supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage. This Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light.

A duly qualified Surgeon is carried. For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, April 2, 1897. 621

NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA (FORMERLY ROBERTSON UNITED COMPANIES).

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG & BOMBAY.

Having connection with Company's Mail Steamers to ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MESSINA, NAPLES, LIGURIO, and GENOVA, also VENICE, TRIESTE, and other ports in the Adriatic, Levantine and South American Ports, up to CALLED. Taking Cargo at through rates to PERSIAN GULF and BAGDAD; also BARCELONA, VALENZA, ALICANTE, ALMERIA and MALAGA.

The Steamer *Bisagno*, Captain MARCINI, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 3rd April, at Noon. The Steamer is discharging in Victoria Dock.

For further Particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply to OARLOWITZ & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, April 2, 1897. 656

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR FOOCHOW.

The Co.'s Steamship *Paoting*, Captain GILES, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 3rd April.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, March 30, 1897. 655

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, SAMARANG AND SOERABAYA.

The Co.'s Steamship *Changshing*, Captain BULLER, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 5th April, at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, March 28, 1897. 611

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

The Co.'s Steamship *Leona*, Captain NIXON, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 5th April.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, March 25, 1897. 603

NIPPON Yusen Kaisha.

MONTHLY SERVICE.

FOR VLADIVOSTOCK, VIA SHANGHAI, CHEFOO, CHEMULPO, NAGASAKI, FUSAN AND GENSAN.

The Co.'s Steamship *Tokai Maru*, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 3rd April, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA, Agents.

Hongkong, March 23, 1897. 587

THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR LONDON, VIA STRAITS AND USUAL PORTS OF CALL.

(Taking Cargo at through rates for GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL, CONTINENTAL PORTS, RIVER PLATE, &c.)

The Co.'s Steamship *Orontea*, Captain R. CONNELL, will be despatched for the above Ports on or about the 9th April, 1897.

For Freight, etc., apply to HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, March 25, 1897. 604

'SHELL' LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR HAVRE, HAMBURG AND LONDON.

(Taking Cargo at through rates for COPENHAGEN, STOCKHOLM, NORRKOPIING, GEFLE, DANZIG and KÖNIGSBERG, with transshipment at HAMBURG.)

The Co.'s Steamship *Capitaine Razouls*, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 10th April.

For Freight, apply to ARNOLD, KARBURG & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, March 29, 1897. 642

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

The British Steamship *Breconshire*, Captain PEARCE, will be despatched for the above Port on or about the 10th April.

For Freight, apply to SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, March 30, 1897. 637

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR SHANGHAI.

The Steamship *Loongmoon*, Captain F. SCHULZ, will be despatched for the above Port on SATURDAY, the 3rd Instant, at 11 a.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to SIEMSEN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, April 1, 1897. 673

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA (DIRECT).

The Co.'s Steamship *Yuenang*, Captain W. WADDILOVE, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 3rd April, at 4 p.m.

This Steamer has superior Accommodation for First-class Passengers.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, March 31, 1897. 667

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR CEBU.

The Co.'s Steamship *Tancon*, Captain PEARCE, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 3rd April.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, March 24, 1897. 600

THE OREGON RAILWAY AND NAVIGATION COMPANY'S PACIFIC STEAMSHIP LINE.

CHINA AND JAPAN.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, 1897. (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

CHITANGUO, SATURDAY, [3rd April].

TAKING PASSENGERS AND CARGO FOR UNITED STATES AND CANADA AT THROUGH RATES.

The Steamship *Chitanguo*, will be despatched hence for VICTORIA, B.O., and PORTLAND, OREGON, on SATURDAY, the 3rd April.

Consular Invoice of Goods for United States Ports should be in Quinqueplacate, and one Copy must be sent forward by the Steamer to the care of the GENERAL FREIGHT AGENT, Portland, Oregon.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, March 26, 1897. 450

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & TAMSUI.

The Co.'s Steamship *Formosa*, Captain ROBSON, will be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 4th Instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LARLICK & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, April 1, 1897. 678

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR KOBE (DIRECT).

The Co.'s Steamship *Osazung*, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 5th April, at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, March 25, 1897. 610

SHIRE LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

The Steamship *Marionette*, Captain DAVIES, will be despatched as above on or about TUESDAY, the 6th April.

For Freight or Passage, apply to SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, March 30, 1897. 649

'WARRACK' LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

The Steamship *Macduff*, Captain THOMSON, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 6th April, at Noon, instead of as previously advertised.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DODWELL, CARILL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, March 25, 1897. 659

FOR MANILA AND ILOILO.

The Co.'s Steamship *Davao Maru*, Captain SAKAKIOTO, will be despatched for the above ports at Noon, on TUESDAY, the 6th April.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DODWELL, CARILL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, March 31, 1897. 669

MOGUL LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

The Co.'s Steamship *Fathian*, Captain DAY, will be despatched as above on or about WEDNESDAY, the 7th April.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DODWELL, CARILL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, March 31, 1897. 640

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR NAGASAKI & WADIVOSTOCK.

The German Steamer *Jacob Dierichsen*, Captain SCHLAICH, will be ready to load here on or about FRIDAY, the 9th April, for the above Ports and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to MELOHRS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, March 17, 1897. 551

Sailing Vessels.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The 100 A.T. British ship *Falls of Dee*, LOCK, Master, shortly expected, will load here for the above Port and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, February 4, 1897. 248

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The American Barque *Coloma*, Naves, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, February 10, 1897. 294

Mails.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL AND AMERICAN PORTS.

THE S.S. *ROSETTA*, Captain F. N. TILLARD, carrying Her Majesty's Mail, will be despatched from this Port for BOMBAY, &c., on THURSDAY, the 8th April, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports.

(This Steamer connects at Bombay with the Steamship *OCEANIC*, leaving that Port on the 1st May, for LONDON direct).

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via Bombay.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. on the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further Particulars, apply to H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent.

O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong, March 25, 1897. 614

Occidental & Oriental Steamship Company.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE, VIA THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND ATLANTIC & OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Belgia (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Hilo) TUESDAY, April 22, at noon.

Coptic (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Hilo) TUESDAY, May 11, at noon.

Gaelic (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Hilo) SATURDAY, May 29, at noon.

THE Steamship *Belgia* will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLANDSEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on THURSDAY, the 22nd April, at Noon.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN and call at HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passengers Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all transatlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates and particulars of the various routes may be obtained upon application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within one year, will be allowed a discount of 10 per cent. This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.

All Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; and same will be received at the Company's Office until 6 p.m. the day previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, April 2, 1897. 671

Mails.

U. S. Mail Line.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

China (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Hilo) TUESDAY, April 13, at noon.

Pera (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Hilo) SATURDAY, May 1, at noon.

City of Rio de Janeiro (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Hilo) THURSDAY, May 30, at noon.

THE U.S. Mail Steamship *CHINA* will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLANDSEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on TUESDAY, the 13th April, at Noon, taking Passengers and Freight to Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all transatlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of the Overland Rail routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of \$4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding orders for OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have, between San Francisco and Chicago, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE and other direct connecting Railways, and from Chicago to destination, the choice of direct lines.

Particulars of the various routes can be had on application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japanese Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Pacific Ports of the United States, via Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 6 p.m. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value in same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, March 24, 1897. 593

NORDDUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction on **TUESDAY**, the 6th April, at 2.30 p.m., at his Sales Rooms, Queen's Road, —

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c., (For Sunday Accounts).

Comprising: —
EMBOSSER VELVET-COVERED DRAWING-ROOM SUIT.
MARBLE TOP CENTRE AND SIDE TABLES.
BEVELLED OVERMANTLES, PICTURES AND ORNAMENTS.
CARPETS AND HEARTH RUGS.
GLASS BOOK-CASES, DESKS AND WRITING TABLES.
EXTENSION DINING TABLE, MARBLE TOP SIDEBOARD with BEVELLED GLASS, WHITE NOTE, VIENNA ROCKING CHAIRS.
BRASS FRAMED MOROCCO-COVERED LOUNGE.
CHOCOLY, GLASS, and PLATED-VARE.
BRASS-MOUNTED DOUBLE-IRON BEDSTEPS, DOUBLE and SINGLE WARDROBES, WARDROBES with BEVELLED GLASS DOORS, CHEST OF DRAWERS, DRESSING TABLE and MARBLE TOP WASHSTANDS.
ONE BLACKWOOD CARVED SCREEN.
ONE MIRROR IN IRON FRAME.
ONE CUPBOARD.
ONE ZEPHYRUS.
Two BEST TWINNED CARPETS, 25' x 18' and 24' x 16'.

SUNDY BOOKS.

Comprising: —
21 VOLUMES ENCYCLOPEDIA BRITANNICA and 11 VOLUMES.
WORKS BY CHAS. READE, GRANT. THOS. HOOD, LORD LYTTON, CHAS. LEVER, CHRISTIE MURRAY, MARK TWAIN, ETC.
2 BOOKS ON BOTANY.

TERMS OF SALE: — As Customary.
J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, April 2, 1897. 675

PUBLIC AUCTION.

VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on **FRIDAY**, the 9th April, 1897, commencing at 2.45 p.m., at LA HACIENDA, MOUNT KELLY, THE PEAK, —

THE ENTIRE CONTENTS OF THAT WELL FURNISHED MANSION, INCLUDING THE MOST MODERN FURNITURE IN EVERY DEPARTMENT.

Refreshments will be provided. Catalogues will be issued previous to the sale.

On view from Wednesday, the 7th April. TERMS OF SALE: — As Customary.

GEOR. P. LAMBERT,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, March 31, 1897. 685

SHARE LIST—QUOTATIONS—APRIL 2, 1897.

Stocks. No. of Shares. Value. Paid up. Closing Quotations, Cash.

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Corp. 80,000 \$ 125 all 165 % prem. = \$331.25, buyers

Bank of China & Japan, Limited 39,950 \$ 5 2 5 nom. buyers

Preference shares 109,875 \$ 8 2 10 nom. buyers

ordinary 1,200 \$ 1 2 1 1/2 buyers

deferred 1,200 \$ 1 2 1 1/2 buyers

National Bank of China, Limited 100,000 \$ 100 all 100 % prem. = \$331.25, buyers

Marine Insurance Co., Ltd. 100,000 \$ 100 all 100 % prem. = \$331.25, buyers

Canton Insurance Co., Ltd. 100,000 \$ 100 all 100 % prem. = \$331.25, buyers

China Traders' Insurance Co., Ltd. 100,000 \$ 100 all 100 % prem. = \$331.25, buyers

North-China Insurance Co., Ltd. 100,000 \$ 100 all 100 % prem. = \$331.25, buyers

Strait Insurance Co., Ltd. 100,000 \$ 100 all 100 % prem. = \$331.25, buyers

Union Insurance Society, Ltd. 100,000 \$ 100 all 100 % prem. = \$331.25, buyers

Yongtong Insurance Association, Ltd. 100,000 \$ 100 all 100 % prem. = \$331.25, buyers

China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd. 100,000 \$ 100 all 100 % prem. = \$331.25, buyers

Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd. 100,000 \$ 100 all 100 % prem. = \$331.25, buyers

Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd. 12,500 \$ 125 all 125 % prem. = \$331.25, buyers

China and Malacca S. S. Co., Ltd. 5,000 \$ 50 all 50 % prem. = \$331.25, buyers

Douglas Steamship Co., Limited 20,000 \$ 200 all 200 % prem. = \$331.25, buyers

H. K. & M. Steamboat Co., Ltd. 80,000 \$ 800 all 800 % prem. = \$331.25, buyers

Indo-China S. N. Co., Limited 20,000 \$ 200 all 200 % prem. = \$331.25, buyers

China Mutual S. N. Co. (new issue), 20,000 \$ 200 all 200 % prem. = \$331.25, buyers

China Sugar Company, Limited 20,000 \$ 200 all 200 % prem. = \$331.25, buyers

Luzon Sugar Company, Limited 7,000 \$ 70 all 70 % prem. = \$331.25, buyers

H. K. & Kow Wharf & Godown Co., Limited 20,000 \$ 200 all 200 % prem. = \$331.25, buyers

Wanchai Warehouse and Storage Company, Limited 2,000 \$ 20 all 20 % prem. = \$331.25, buyers

Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company, Limited 30,000 \$ 300 all 300 % prem. = \$331.25, buyers

Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited 6,000 \$ 60 all 60 % prem. = \$331.25, buyers

Humphreys Estate & Finance Co., Limited 25,400 \$ 254 all 254 % prem. = \$331.25, buyers

West Point Estate Co., Limited 12,500 \$ 125 all 125 % prem. = \$331.25, buyers

H. K. High-Level Tramways Co., Ltd. 1,250 \$ 12.50 all 12.50 % prem. = \$331.25, buyers

Jelebu Mining & Trading Co., Ltd. 40,000 \$ 400 all 400 % prem. = \$331.25, buyers

Puhoon Mining Co., Ltd. 40,000 \$ 400 all 400 % prem. = \$331.25, buyers

Société Française des Charbonnages de Tonkin 12,000 \$ 120 all 120 % prem. = \$331.25, buyers

New Balaclava Gold Mining Co., Ltd. 100,000 \$ 1,000 all 1,000 % prem. = \$331.25, buyers

Preference shares 75,000 \$ 750 all 750 % prem. = \$331.25, buyers

Ramb Aust. Gold Mining Co., Ltd. 100,000 \$ 1,000 all 1,000 % prem. = \$331.25, buyers

Oliver's Freehold Mines, Ltd. 15,000 \$ 150 all 150 % prem. = \$331.25, buyers

China-Borneo Company, Ltd. 7,500 \$ 75 all 75 % prem. = \$331.25, buyers

H. G. Brown & Co., Limited, in liq. 5,000 \$ 50 all 50 % prem. = \$331.25, buyers

Hongkong Hotel Company, Ltd. 12,000 \$ 120 all 120 % prem. = \$331.25, buyers

A. S. Watson & Co., Limited 60,000 \$ 600 all 600 % prem. = \$331.25, buyers

Dakin, Cruickshank & Co., Ltd. in liq. 50,000 \$ 500 all 500 % prem. = \$331.25, buyers

H. K. and China Gas Co., Limited 7,000 \$ 70 all 70 % prem. = \$331.25, buyers

Hongkong Electric Co., Limited 30,000 \$ 300 all 300 % prem. = \$331.25, buyers

Green Island Cement Co., Ltd. 20,000 \$ 200 all 200 % prem. = \$331.25, buyers

Ball's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Ltd. 3,000 \$ 30 all 30 % prem. = \$331.25, buyers

Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited 1,200 \$ 12 all 12 % prem. = \$331.25, buyers

Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited 6,000 \$ 60 all 60 % prem. = \$331.25, buyers

Hongkong Bakery Company, Ltd. 600 \$ 6 all 6 % prem. = \$331.25, buyers

Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Ltd. 10,000 \$ 100 all 100 % prem. = \$331.25, buyers

Hongkong Ice Company, Limited 5,000 \$ 50 all 50 % prem. = \$331.25, buyers

H'kong Toys Manufacturing Co., Ltd. 5,000 \$ 50 all 50 % prem. = \$331.25, buyers

Ing Co., Ltd. 10,000 \$ 100 all 100 % prem. = \$331.25, buyers

International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ltd. 10,000 \$ 100 all 100 % prem. = \$331.25, buyers

Leong-King-Mow Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ltd. 8,000 \$ 80 all 80 % prem. = \$331.25, buyers

Carmichael & Co., Ltd. 2,000 \$ 20 all 20 % prem. = \$331.25, buyers

Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd. 2,000 \$ 20 all 20 % prem. = \$331.25, buyers

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

VALUABLE AND USEFUL HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, FINE SPORTING GUNS, IVORY CARVINGS, CAMERA, ETC., ETC.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on **SATURDAY**, the 3rd April, 1897, commencing at 2.30 p.m., at his Sales Rooms, Duddell Street, —

A QUANTITY OF VALUABLE AND USEFUL HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

Comprising: —
DRAWING-ROOM SUITS in RED PILE, QUOTE NEW, BEVELLED OVERMANTLES, FANCY TEA and WRITING TABLES, PICTURES, ORNAMENTS, ETC.
HANDSOMELY CARVED CANTON BLACKWOOD CUPBOARD, and PAIR of FINE BLACKWOOD MARBLE TOP TABLES, ETC., ETC.
A FINE LOT of JAPANESE IVORY CARVINGS and CHRONOMETERS.
A FINE DOUBLE BARREL CENTRAL FIRE GUN, FOR LEVER ACTION, in CASE CONTAINED, by W. WATSON, of 4, PALE MALL, LONDON, nearly NEW, SEVERAL FINE SPORTING GUNS, SHOOTING GEAR and ARMS, ETC.
ONE PHOTOGRAPHIC CAMERA, with its FULL SET.
TEAR SUNDRIES, with BEVELLED GLASS, EXTENSION DINING TABLE, MOROCCO COVERED DINING CHAIRS, VIENNA CHAIRS, DINER WAGGONS, ELECTRIC FLATE, GLASS, and CROCKERY, ETC., PANTRY REQUISITES, ETC., FENESTRA, ETC., ETC.
ONE IRON BEDSTEAD, SEVERAL IRON and BRASS-MOUNTED BEDSTEPS and FITTINGS, MARBLE TOP WASHSTANDS and DRESSING TABLES, WARDROBES with BEVELLED GLASS DOORS and PLAIN, and SUNDRY OTHER BEDROOM FURNITURE and BATH-ROOM REQUISITES, ETC., ETC.
ONE FINE ENGLISH MANTEL.
ONE AMERICAN PNEUMATIC TYRE EASY-CLIMBER, NEARLY NEW, and SUNDRY OTHER EFFECTS.

Also, —
The Mess Ocar of the WARDROOM MESS of H.M.S. "Cerberus", COMPREHENDING: —
DINING TABLE, CUPBOARD, TABLE NAPKIN, GLASS and CROCKERY WARE, PANTRY REQUISITES, COOKING UTENSILS, ETC.

Also, —
ONE COTTAGE PLANT in SOLID MAHOGANY CASE, BUILT FOR THE CLIMATE, by JOHN BRUNNELL and SONS, in FIRST-CLASS CONDITION.

Also, —
ONE COTTAGE PLANT, by BROADWOOD and SONS, in good condition.

Catalogues will be issued previous to the sale. On view from Friday, the 2nd April. TERMS OF SALE: — As Customary.

GEOR. P. LAMBERT,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, March 30, 1897. 644

WASHING BOOKS.

WASHBURN'S BOOKS, for the use of Ladies and Gentlemen, can now be had at this Office. — Price, \$1 each.

CHINA MAIL OFFICE.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on **SATURDAY**, the 3rd April, 1897, commencing at 2.30 p.m., at his Sales Rooms, Duddell Street 2, —

AN INVOICE OF VALUABLE BOOKS.

Comprising: —
WORKS from ANDERSEN, STANLEY, SIR WALTER SCOTT, TORRIST HALL GAZETTE, CONAN DOYLE GEORGE ELIOT, JOSEPHUS, MACAULAY, GREEN, GIBSON'S SHAKESPEARE, COOPER, JULIUS VERNE, YETTER, HIGGINS, PEARSON, LARLEY, FARRAR, IRVING, ETC., ETC.
WEBSTER'S DICTIONARY, 1896 EDITION.
CATALOGUES at the Undersigned's.

Also, —
AN INVOICE OF MAGNIFICENT AMERICAN LAMPS.

Comprising: —
STANDARD LAMPS, with SILK SHADES; LAMP LAMPS, KEATING LAMPS, TABLE LAMPS, WALL LAMPS, HAND LAMPS, ETC.

On view at the Undersigned's.

TERMS OF SALE: — As Customary.

PAUL BREWITT,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, March 31, 1897. 666

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on **WEDNESDAY**, the 14th day of April, 1897, at 3 o'clock p.m., at the Premises, —

IN ONE LOT.

THE FOLLOWING VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY.

Being Nos. 11, 12 and 13 Albany Street, Nos. 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 12 Cross Street, Nos. 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 842, 843, 844, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 855, 856, 857, 858, 859, 860, 861, 862, 863, 864, 865, 866, 867, 868, 869, 870, 871, 872, 873, 874, 875, 876, 877, 878, 879, 880, 881, 882, 883, 884, 885, 886, 887, 888, 889, 890, 891, 892, 893, 894, 895, 896, 897, 898, 899, 900, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 913, 914, 915, 916, 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923, 924, 925,